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Applicants submit herewith the following Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in
accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

I. U. S. PATENTS

<u>U.S. PATENT NO.</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>ISSUE DATE</u>
4,562,020 to Hijiya et al.	Process for Producing Self-Supporting Glucan Film	December 31, 1985
4,623,394 to Nakamura et al.	Gradually Disintegrable Molded Article	November 18, 1986
4,925,670 to Schmidt	Administration and Dosage Form For Drug Active Agents, Reagents or the Like and Process for the Preparation Thereof	May 15, 1990
4,927,636 to Hijiya et al.	Association Complex Comprising Pullulan and Polyethylene Glycol, and Preparation and Uses of the Same	May 22, 1990
4,981,693 to Higashi et al.	Pharmaceutical Composition for Periodontal Diseases	January 1, 1991
5,028,632 to Fuisz	Taste Masked Medicated Pharmaceutical	July 2, 1991
5,393,528 to Staab	Dissolvable Device for Contraception or Delivery of Medication	February 28, 1995
5,411,945 to Ozaki et al.	Pullulan Binder and Its Uses	May 2, 1995
5,518,902 to Ozaki et al.	High Pullulan Content Product, and Its Preparation and Uses	May 21, 1996
5,567,431 to Vert et al.	Polylactic Acid-Based Implant Susceptible of Bioresorption Containing and Antibiotic	October 22, 1996
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II. FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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The above-referenced document is listed on Form PTO-1449. We have enclosed the cited document to facilitate reference to it.

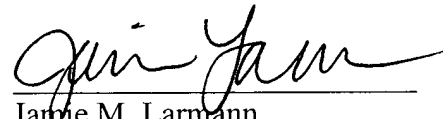
These references have been cited in one or more search reports from a foreign patent office in corresponding International Application No. PCT/US02/32575, filed on October 11, 2002, and related International Application Nos. PCT/US02/32542, filed on October 11, 2002 and PCT/US02/32594, filed on October 11, 2002. Copies of the search reports and references

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Applicants are not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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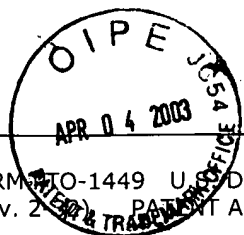


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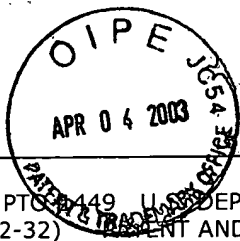
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